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Application Number	10/016,727
Filing Date	December 10, 2001
First Named Inventor	Kirsten Smith et al
Art Unit	3627
Examiner Name	James A. Kramer
Attorney Docket Number	0275R-000418

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 CFR 1.114 of the above-identified application.
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1. Submission required under 37 C.F.R. 1.114 Note: If the RCE is proper, any previously filed unentered amendments and amendments enclosed with the RCE will be entered in the order in which they were filed unless applicant instructs otherwise. If applicant does not wish to have any previously filed unentered amendment(s) entered, applicant must request non-entry of such amendment(s).

a. ☒ Previously submitted. If a final Office action is outstanding, any amendments filed after the final Office action may be considered as a submission even if this box is not checked.

i. ☐ Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on _____

ii. ☒ Other Amendment dated October 4, 2005

b. ☐ Enclosed

i. ☐ Amendment/Reply

ii. ☐ Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s)

iii. ☐ Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)

iv. ☐ Other _____

2. Miscellaneous

a. ☐ Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 C.F.R. 1.103(c) for a period of _____ months. (Period of suspension shall not exceed 3 months; Fee under 37 C.F.R. 1.17(i) required)

b. ☐ Other _____

3. Fees The RCE fee under 37 C.F.R. 1.17(e) is required by 37 C.F.R. 1.114 when the RCE is filed.

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i. ☒ RCE fee required under 37 C.F.R. 1.17(e)

ii. ☐ Extension of time fee (37 C.F.R. 1.136 and 1.17)

iii. ☒ Other Any deficiency for a fee required under 37 C.F.R. 1.16 or 1.17

b. ☐ Check in the amount of \$ _____ enclosed

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